

School Board Meeting:

August 23, 2010

Subject:

Arlanda Avenue Stop

Presenter:

Gary Kawlewski

SUGGESTED SCHOOL BOARD ACTION:

Approval to allow handicapped busses to forego use of 8-way stop-signals and use their 4-way amber lights on a specific street

DESCRIPTION:

The transportation committee met on August 18, 2010 and reviewed a number of issues. One of the issues is a request to allow the use of 4-way amber lights for handicapped bus pickups on Arlanda Avenue in Buffalo. As a result of the meeting, the committee is recommending that the Board of Education take formal action forego the use of 8-way stop signals on handicapped busses on Arlanda Avenue only. Minnesota Statue 169.443 subd. 3 (2) allows such an action when the school board directs the bus driver to do so in writing. We have been in contact with the Buffalo police chief and it is his recommendation to do so.

The bus, in this situation, has adequate room on this street to be able to move to the side of the road and allow for adequate passage of traffic. The bus loads on the curb side of the vehicle so there is little danger in loading the children on the vehicle.

This action will allow for better flow of traffic on that street at the time of loading our children onto the bus.

ATTACHMENT(S): Minnesota Statute 169.443